

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on August 23, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Applicants are filing this Amendment and Response within 2 months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action and respectfully request that the following amendments be considered and entered as the amendments will place the application either in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal.